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COMMENTS ON NSCIC NO. 8

Para. 1b. departments and agencies of UNIB "shall continue to be individually responsible for FI in production of intelligence such as:

<u>Subject</u>	<u>Comments</u>
warning intelligence	OCI requirements, FID support to DE/I OAK coordinator
orders of battle	apparently this would be primarily departmental. PAC would do this only as an assist under NSCIC 8 para 2e unless directed by higher authority.
estimates	if the NSCIC were not so ambiguous this could be interpreted as strictly departmental until or unless UNIB or a UNIB sub-committee levied a requirement.
technical intelligence	OSI and OMR would rely on FID for technical details; again no national effort unless requested by UNIB or a sub-committee.
precise geodetic data	probably of most concern to DIA and Army.
targeting	CIA COMSEC Photo Working Group member could get FID support. Such support now comes from the national effort.
maps, charts, matrices	OMR map projects use the services of FID.

Para 23. NFIC shall do the preliminary read-out and reporting.

Comment. This causes no problems since everyone agrees that this should be done centrally. There is duplication by SAC and others, but CIA is not involved.

Para 24. It is the intent of this directive that NFIC not engage in the production and dissemination of finished intelligence. Photography which appears to be primarily of departmental or agency significance shall be the primary exploitation responsibility of the department or agency concerned. The Center, itself, shall produce and disseminate NFIC photographic interpretation reports (based on an analysis of photography using other sources to assist in this interpretation) and provide other materials and services, in support of the national intelligence effort and approved Priority National Intelligence Objectives.

Comments

The prohibition against NFIC's producing "finished intelligence" has no purpose if we restrict the definition to mean only what finally gets into a national estimate. Obviously something else was meant. If we look at the next sentence it appears that departmental reporting is encouraged instead of national when a so-called "finished" report is to be published. Such an interpretation would suggest that when photography is the chief source but other sources need to be added to make a finished intelligence report NFIC should not publish a report but leave the work to be done departmentally (FID and Headquarters elements). The last sentence of this paragraph seems to negate what is said in the first two sentences.

Para 3. Coordination. "In discharging its responsibilities NFIC shall consult, as appropriate, with individual departments, agencies and committees of the UNIC. The intelligence chief of each department or agency represented on the UNIC shall coordinate photographic intelligence activities within his parent organization with the NFIC."

Comments

ADCOM is the chief means of coordinating as called for by the first sentence. In the case of CIA, coordination between the departmental and national effort is simplified because they both are under Landahl and are located in the same building.

Before ADCOM can advise Director NFIC on how to discharge its responsibilities, a clearer statement of what NFIC's responsibilities are must be formulated. Specifically, recognizing the ambiguity in the NSCIB-8, we need to establish agreed terms of reference for national versus departmental work. It may well be impossible to define a

"national requirement." If so, let us admit same, and define PAC's responsibility in some other terms, beginning with those already agreed upon responsibilities and then proceeding to the debatable ones, as follows:

Agreed Responsibilities

- a. initial read-out
- b. requirements from UNIS sub-committees

For Discussion

c. self initiated reports or updating of reports as photography becomes available in high priority fields defined by ABOCM. ABOCM to be given notice 1 week in advance of the beginning of work on the project so that each consumer agency can provide guidance if it so desires. (PAC would notify the secretariat which would in turn notify the ABOCM members when a project is being initiated).

d. projects assigned by the departmental FI shops, with the understanding that such projects would not interfere with the national effort. The logic here is that if PAC can do work for STATE and NSA because those two agencies have no FI assets, then it can work for FID or other departmental units when one of them has a backlog.